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House Resolution 1515

By: Representatives Smith of the 113<sup>th</sup>, McCall of the 30<sup>th</sup>, Royal of the 171<sup>st</sup>, Kidd of the 115<sup>th</sup>, Roberts of the 154<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Remembering and honoring the life of Linton Webster Eberhardt, Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. Linton Webster "Hoop" Eberhardt, Jr., was born on a farm in Jackson
- 3 County to Linton Walton and Josephine Wheeler Eberhardt; and
- 4 WHEREAS, after attending public school in Maysville, he graduated from the University of
- 5 Georgia in 1936 with a Bachelor of Science degree in forestry; and
- 6 WHEREAS, for 35 years Mr. Eberhardt served with distinction with the University of
- 7 Georgia Cooperative Extension Service, serving as state director for the last eight years; he
- 8 also served seven years as executive director of the Georgia Cotton Commission; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Mr. Eberhardt was a member and deacon emeritus of the
- 10 Athens First Baptist Church and a charter member of the Milledge Avenue Baptist Church,
- where he served as deacon and treasurer; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Mr. Eberhardt was truly a pillar of his community and an active contributor to
- 13 the world around him, serving on the boards of the Georgia 4-H Foundation and the Athens
- 14 Regional Library, the Georgia 4-H Advisory committee, and as president of the University
- 15 of Georgia College of Agriculture Alumni Association; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Blue Key, the Gridiron
- 17 Secret Society, the University of Georgia President's Club, AGHON, the Forestry School
- 18 Alumni Association Hall of Fame, and the University of Georgia College of Agriculture
- 19 Alumni Association Hall of Fame; and
- 20 WHEREAS, for his outstanding leadership and unwavering commitment to serving his
- 21 community, Mr. Eberhardt received the United States Department of Agriculture superior

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1 service award, the Progressive Farmer Man of the Year award in Georgia agriculture, the

- 2 Georgia Association of County Commissioners Man of the Year award, and the University
- 3 of Georgia Alumni Society's Special Alumni and Faculty Service Award; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Eberhardt leaves behind a loving and devoted family, including his wife
- 5 of 66 years, Eleanor Bailey Eberhardt; his sons and daughters-in-law, Lint and Alice
- 6 Eberhardt, and Guy and Melanie Eberhardt; his sisters, Jeannette Seaton and Golden Mason;
- 7 his grandchildren, Dr. Linton Eberhardt IV, Laura Eleanor Stille, Guy B. Eberhardt, Jr., and
- 8 Susan Kennedy; and six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Georgia lost a most estimable citizen on September 20, 2004, with the passing
- 10 of Mr. Linton Webster Eberhardt, Jr.
- 11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 12 the members of this body join together to express their deepest regret at the passing of Mr.
- 13 Linton Webster Eberhardt, Jr., and extend their most sincere condolences to his family.
- 14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mrs. Eleanor Bailey
- 16 Eberhardt.